



## News Release

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### **West Valley City Tree Named Largest in State for Species**

West Valley City – The Utah Community Forestry Council has named a flowering cherry tree in West Valley City's City Park as the state champion tree for its species. The tree measures at a height of 28 feet, a circumference of 47 inches and a spread of 24 feet. The Utah Community Forestry Council has awarded the City with a certificate to recognize the achievement.

Big tree state champions are determined by a point system with the flowering cherry in City Park earning 81 points, surpassing the previous state champion tree with 75 points. Trees are awarded one point for each foot of height, one point for each inch of trunk circumference and a quarter-point for each foot of spread.

A complete list of big trees throughout the state can be found online at [utahurbanforest.org](http://utahurbanforest.org).

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